

Written statement of a key decision
Cabinet member finance, corporate services and planning

Title	Town Deal Heads of Terms
Decision maker	Cabinet member finance, corporate services and planning Information about cabinet, including the names and contact details of the cabinet members, can be found here: http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mgCommitteeDetails.aspx?ID=251
Date of decision	18 June 2021
Report exemption class	Open
Reason for being a key decision	<p>This is a key decision because it is likely to result in the council incurring expenditure which is, or the making of savings which are, significant having regard to the council's budget for the service or function concerned. A threshold of £500,000 is regarded as significant.</p> <p>This is a key decision because it is likely to be significant having regard to: the strategic nature of the decision; and / or whether the outcome will have an impact, for better or worse, on the amenity of the community or quality of service provided by the authority to a significant number of people living or working in the locality (two or more wards) affected.</p>
A notice was served in accordance with Part 3 (Key decisions) of The Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012.	
General exception or special urgency (as defined in the constitution)	Special Urgency
Purpose	The purpose of the report is to seek authorisation and delegation to sign the Heads of Terms that has been received by the Towns Investment Partnership Board and Herefordshire Council.
Decision	<p>a) The Towns Fund Partnership Board Chairman and the council's Chief Executive, following consultation with the council's Section 151 Officer, receive delegated authority to sign the Heads of Terms received from the Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) on 8 June 2021 accepting the funding allocation of £22.4million and return to MHCLG no later than 29 June 2021.</p>

Reason for the decision	As set out in the report. Documents relating to this decision are available at http://councillors.herefordshire.gov.uk/mglIssueHistoryHome.aspx?Ild=50037913
Options considered	1. Do nothing – the council does not sign the Heads of Terms document meaning the programme of funding is not accepted. This is not recommended as Hereford’s Town Investment Plan will not receive the funding allocated to enable successful delivery of the programme.
Declarations of interest (see below)	
Call-in expiry date (decisions are not subject to call-in where special urgency provisions apply)	This decision is to be taken under the special urgency provisions as set out in paragraphs 4.2.52-54 of the constitution of Herefordshire Council. It will not be subject to call in.

<p>Councillor:</p> <p>Cabinet member finance, corporate services and planning (Councillor Liz Harvey)</p>	<p>Date 18 June 2021</p>
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- a record of any conflict of interest declared by any executive member who is consulted by the member which relates to the decision;
- and
- in respect of any declared conflict of interest, a note of dispensation granted.